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I don't know anything more than what's here, but for what it's worth.....

E&E PM: [EPA internal email: 1 week left to finish rollbacks](#)

EPA is hurrying to finalize rules within a week to try to cement President Trump's environmental rollback agenda, an email obtained by E&E News shows. Mary Manibusan, an EPA division director, wrote to staff last week that the Office of the Federal Register has confirmed that Dec. 15 is a "good deadline" to focus on. "I have received several questions regarding the last possible date for submission to OFR for publication before January 20th," Manibusan wrote on Dec. 2. "OFR Legal has confirmed that while December 15th is not an absolute date, it's a good deadline to target." Manibusan added that given the number of documents expected in the coming weeks, "the majority of rules submitted after December 15 will probably not publish before January 20. It's likely that some will, but OFR has no way to know which subset of rules will get published until after they receive them."

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